

DETAILED ACTION

The amendment filed on 04-28-09 for this 371 Application, changes and, in effect, cancels all claims drawn to the elected invention and presenting only claims drawn to a non-elected invention, is non-responsive (MPEP § 821.03). The remaining claims are not readable on the elected invention because the final product process functions of Group III, Claims 31 and 50, a process comprising cleavage of a chemical of the Claim 1 genus, is now amended to be included in the intermediate product process of Group I, Claims 1, 6-27. This renders the Group I Claims, involving an intermediate product process not previously comprising additional chemical cleavage, to read upon the final product process Claims of Group III.

Since the above-mentioned amendment appears to be a *bona fide* attempt to reply, applicant is given a TIME PERIOD of ONE (1) MONTH or THIRTY (30) DAYS, whichever is longer, from the mailing date of this notice within which to supply the omission or correction in order to avoid abandonment. EXTENSIONS OF THIS TIME PERIOD UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a) ARE AVAILABLE.

Examiner Contact Information

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